IN RE: PETITION FOR SPECIAL EXCEPTION NS Dundalk Ave., 202 ft. SW of

- Liberty Parkway- 3478 Liberty Parkway (Will's Wash & Shine) 12th Election District 7th Councilmanic District
- \* OF BALTIMORE COUNTY \* CASE No. 92-228-X Legal Owner: Frederick Radtke Lessee: William J. Panoni, Jr. Petitioner
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## FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This matter comes before the Zoning Commissioner as a Petition for Special Exception seeking approval of a car wash at the subject property located at 3478 Liberty Parkway, pursuant to Section 230.13 of the Baltimore County Zoning Regulations(B.C.Z.R.). The Petition is filed by Frederick Radtke, property owner and William J. Panoni, Jr., Lessee.

BEFORE THE

\* ZONING COMMISSIONER

Appearing at the public hearing was Mr. Panoni and his wife, Christa L. Fanoni. Also appearing was James Kline of G.W. Stephens and Associates. Inc., the engineer who prepared the plat to accompany the Petition for Variance, marked as Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1. Also present was William H. Clash, the sole employee of the proposed car wash business. There were no Protestants present.

The nature of the proposed relief and wording in the Petition is somewhat misleading from what is actually proposed on site. Section 101 of the B.C.Z.R. defines car wash as "An area of land and/or a structure with machine or hand operated facilities used principally for the cleaning, washing, polishing, or waxing of motor vehicles." Although the proposed activity technically meets that definition, what is contemplated in this case is not a true car wash, at least, as that term is generally thought of by the general public. Rather, as Mr. Panoni observed, his operation is a small C o two man shop (himself and an employee) which performs car detailing on a limited volume basis. Specifically, he testified that he cleans/details

approximately three cars per day. Generally, the cars are brought to the site by Mr. Panoni or his customers, and he often arranges substitute transportation for his clients so that they may leave their vehicles with him for several hours. During that time, he hand cleans and refurbishes the outside and interior of his clients' vehicles. There is no engine work performed, nor any body or fender work. Further, there is no tunnel wash system on the site, nor the type of car wash facilities so often found at service stations. Rather, Mr. Panoni and his employee use a hose, cleaning agents and a significant amount of elbow grease to clean his clients' vehicles. Everything is done on a manual basis with no sophisticated machin-Mr. Panoni indicated that he employs only one other person, Mr. Clash, and that it takes him approximately 2-1/2 to 3 hours to clean a single car. His services are by appointment only.

The nature of the site is also unusual. The property is a rectangularly shaped parcel located between Dundalk Avenue and Liberty Parkway in Dundalk. It is immediately adjacent to Joe's Garage, an existing service garage business. Further, Mr. Panoni's business is confined to a 20 x 40 foot structure which is attached to a 2400 sq. ft. retail building. Presently, the retail building is unoccupied. Access to Mr. Panoni's shop is by way of Liberty Parkway.

The site plan, which clearly shows the property and surrounding uses much more clearly than can be described herein, has designated the building leased by Mr. Panoni and a small area surrounding same for the special exception. The Petitioner, who leases but a small part of the entire site, desires the special exception to be limited to the area shown. The entire site, which is less than an acre in size, is zoned B.L.-C.N.S.

It is also apparent that Mr. Panoni enjoys the widespread support of his neighbors. He produced a number of letters in support of his business. Based upon his testimony and the material provided, it is abundantly clear that this is a hard working young businessman who brings a needed service to the community and should be considered a valued member of the retail/commercial neighborhood.

As to the Petition for Special Exception, it is clear that Section

230.13 permits a car wash in a B.L.-C.N.S. zone by special exception. It is equally clear that the proposed use will not be detrimental to the other uses in the vicinity. Therefore, it must be determined whether the conditions set forth in Section 502.1 of the B.C.Z.R. are satisfied by the Petitioner. Based upon the uncontradicted and evidence presented, it is clear that the proposed use will be conducted without any detriment to the neighborhood and would not adversely affect the public interest. The proposed use will not be detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of the locale, nor tend to create congestion in the roads, streets or alleys therein, nor be inconsistent with the purposes of the property's zoning classification, nor in any other way be inconsistent with the spirit and intent of the B.C.Z.R. The proposed use will not have any adverse impact above and beyond that inherently associated with such a special exception use, irrespective of its location within the subject zone. See Schultz v. Pritts, 291 Md. 1, 432 A.2d 1319 (1981). For all of these reasons, the Petition for Special Exception should be granted. A comment is also appropriate as it relates to Section 419 of the B.C.Z.R. This section provides additional regulation as it relates to car washes. It requires that the site plan provide certain information, that it be approved by the Office of Traffic Engineers for Baltimore County, Department of Public Works, and the Office of Planning and Zoning. Also, Section 419 requires that a certain number of parking spaces be shown. Although Mr. Panoni's business fits the regulatory definition of a car wash, it is clear that the legislature did not envision the proposed operation when enacting Section 419. As indicated, Mr. Panoni's use is not a tunnel wash, a self service operation, or a similar operation that meets the public's accepted definition of a car wash. This small shop, one man operation, is rather a personalized business of unique character and identity. For these reasons, and in this narrow application, I shall so find that the operation is not subject to the provisions of Section 419.

For these same reasons, many of the Zoning Plans Advisory Committee comments are not appropriate. For example, a comment from the Developers Engineering suggests landscaping on the property. However, the portion of the subject lot dedicated to the special exception is of such limited size that it cannot support any landscaping. Additionally, the special exception operation is separated from the closest residence by the balance of the tract, which contains the vacant retail store. Clearly, landscaping would be more appropriate on that portion of the site, when and if the building is ever occupied. Further, I am convinced, based on Mr. Panoni's demeanor and testimony, that he will make his best effort to insure that his portion of the site and operation will remain clean, unobtrusive and of no negative visual impact to the surrounding community. For these same reasons, the comment from the Office of Planning and Zoning regarding landscaping and signage is not appropriate. Mr. Panoni indicated that his signage is limited (a small sign on the side of the building).

A comment was also received from the Bureau of Traffic Engineering recommending elimination of access to the special exception use on the

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eastern side of the site to Dundalk Avenue. This access, in fact, does not THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED by the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore Counserve Mr. Panoni's operation in that his client's vehicles can be brought day of March, 1993 that the Petition for Special Exception for into his building only from the Liberty Parkway side of the property. permission to operate a car wash, pursuant to Section 230.13 of the Thus, that comment is inapplicable as it relates to the special exception B.C.Z.R., in accordance with Petitioner's Exhibit No. 1, be and is hereby portion of the property. As to Traffic Engineering's request that the GRANTED, subject, however, to the following restrictions which is a condithree parking spaces shown be realigned, compliance with this suggestion is tion precedent to the relief granted herein: infeasible. The size and configuration of the site prohibits parking from 1. The Petitioner is hereby made aware that proceeding at this time is at his own risk until being placed elsewhere. Further, Mr. Panoni's testimony was persuasive

such time as the 30 day appellate process from this Order has expired. If, for whatever reason, this Order is reversed, the Petitioner would be required to return, and be responsible for returning, said property to its original condition.

requirements of the Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management as set forth in their comments dated February 2, 1993, attached hereto and made a part thereof.

work, body work and/or fender work on the premises.

5. This special exception is personal and

AWRENCE E. SCHMIDT Zoning Commissioner for Baltimore County

2. The Petitioner shall comply with all

3. The Petitioner shall not perform any engine

4. The hours of operation are limited to 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday thru Friday and from 7:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. on Saturday.

restricted to the Petitioner and the business as described herein. In the event, this business is sold by the Petitioner, or the nature of the operation of the business changes, the authority granted within this Order shall be forfeited. It is the intent of this restriction to prohibit any other individual from utilizing this special exception and to restrict the special exception to the detailing operation as described herein.

att.

**Baltimore County Government** Zoning Commissioner Office of Planning and Zoning

Suite 113 Courthouse 400 Washington Avenue Towson, MD 21204

(410) 887-4386

March 8, 1993

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Panoni, Jr. 2065 Shore Road Baltimore, Maryland 21222

RE: Petition for Special Exception Case No. 93-228-X Will's Wash and Shine 3478 Liberty Parkway

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Panoni:

Enclosed please find the decision rendered in the above captioned case. The Petition for Special Exception has been granted, with restrictions, in accordance with the attached Order.

In the event the decision rendered is unfavorable to any party, please be advised that any party may file an appeal within thirty (30) days of the date of the Order to the County Board of Appeals. If you require additional information concerning filing an appeal, please feel free to contact our Appeals Clerk at 887-3391.

> Very truly yours, Zoning Commissioner

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cc: Mr. Frederick Radtke 3200 E. Lombard Street Baltimore, Maryland 21224

herein described property for

244 Petition for Special Exception to the Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County for the property located at 3478 LIBERTY PARKWAY

which is presently zoned BL-CN5

This Petition shall be filed with the Office of Zoning Administration & Development Management.

The undersigned, legal owner(s) of the property situate in Baltimore County and which is described in the description and plat attached. hereto and made a part hereof, hereby petition for a Special Exception under the Zoning Regulations of Baltimore County, to use the

A CAR WASH PER SECTION 230.13

|  | I/We do solemnly declare and affirm, under the penalties of perjury, that I/we are th<br>legal owner(s) of the property which is the subject of this Petition.   |
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| WILLIAM J. PANONI Type or Print Name)  Welkom J. Carone J. | FREDERICK RADTKE  (Type or Prince)  Facel Portal  Tackle Portal  T |
| 2065 SHORE RD  BALTIMORE MD 21222                          | (Type or Print Name)   |
| Oity State Zipcode  Attorney for Petitioner:               | Signature  |
|  | 3200 E. LOMBARD ST. 522-41   |
|  | BALTIMORE MD 21224   |
| (Type or Print Name)                                       | City State Zipcode<br>Name, Address and phone number of legal owner, contract purchaser or represents  |

about this issue. He indicates that his clients do not wait on site, rath-

er that their vehicles are transported to the property and taken directly

into the building for work. There appears to be no need for a sizeable

Protection and Resource Management (D.E.P.R.M.). I will require Mr. Panoni

to comply with any requirements of that department, as it relates to the

Chesapeake Bay Critical Area legislation. In fact, this site is within the

defined Chesapeake Bay Critical Area. However, it is noted that Mr. Panoni

testified that all waste water used in his operation exits the property

through a drain in the building which ties into the public system. Fur-

ther, the property is served by public utilities and all materials used in

the car wash operation are biodegradable. Further, to insure continued

compatibility with the subject locale, I shall order additional restric-

tions as to the nature and use of the operation entirely consistent with

hearing on this Petition held, and for the reasons given above, the relief

Pursuant to the advertisement, posting of the property, and public

Lastly, a comment was received from the Department of Environmental

waiting area or for parking other than what is shown.

Mr. Panoni's testimony as described during the hearing.

ALL\_\_\_\_\_OTHER\_\_\_\_

requested should be granted,

## FROM THE OFFICE OF GEORGE WILLIAM STEPHENS, JR., & ASSOCIATES, INC. 658 KENILWORTH DRIVE, SUITE 100, TOWSON, MARYLAND 21204

Plat to Accompany a Petition for a Special Exception.

January 12, 1993

RE: Will's Wash & Shine 3478 Liberty Parkway

Beginning at a point located on the north side of Dundalk Avenue North 86° 07' West 202' from the point of intersection of right-of-way lines of the south side of Liberty Parkway and the north side of Dundalk Avenue thence in a clockwise direction:

1 - North 86' 07' West 50 feet±

2 - North 40° 30' East 82 feet±

3 - North 16° 31' East 34 feet±

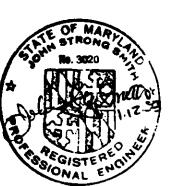
4 - North 49° 30' West 27 feet ± 5 - North 40° 30' East 41 feet:

6 - South 49° 30' East 24 feet and

7 - South 16° 31' West 135.75 feet to the place of beginning.

Containing .10 acres of land more or less.

NOTE: THIS DESCRIPTION IS FOR ZONING PURPOSES ONLY AND NOT TO BE USED IN CONVEYANCES OR AGREEMENTS.



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**Baltimore County Government** 

Office of Zoning Administration

and Development Management

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**Baltimore County Government** Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

111 West Chesapeake Avenue (410) 887-3353 Towson, MD 21204

NOTICE OF HEARING

The Zoning Commissioner of Baltimore County, by authority of the Zoning Act and Regulations of Baltimore

Room 106 of the County Office Building, 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue in Towson, Maryland 21204

MOTE: HEARINGS ARE HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE; FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS PLEASE CALL 887-3353.

HEARING: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1993 at 2:30 p.m. in Rm. 118, Old Courthouse.

CASE NUMBER: 93-228-X (Item 244)

Legal Owner(s): Frederick Radtke

Special Exceition for a car wash.

Lessee: William J. Panoni, Jr.

N/S Dundalk Avenue, 202' SW of Liberty Parkway

3478 Liberty Parkway (Will's Wash and Shine)

12th Election District - 7th Councilmenic

County will hold a public hearing on the property identified herein in

Room 118, Old Courthouse, 400 Washington Avenue, Towson, Maryland 21204 as follows:

(410) 887-3353

(410) 887-3353

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Mr. Frederick Radtke 3200 E. Lombard Street Baltimore, MD 21224

> RE: Case No. 93-228-X, Item No. 244 Petitioner: Frederick Radtke, et al

Dear Mr. Radtke:

The Zoning Plans Advisory Committee (ZAC) has reviewed the plans submitted with the above referenced petition. The attached comments from each reviewing agency are not intended to indicate the appropriateness of the zoning action requested, but to assure that all parties, i.e., Zoning Commissioner, attorney and/or the petitioner, are made aware of plans or problems with regard to the proposed

Enclosed are all comments submitted thus far from the members of ZAC that offer or request information on your petition. If additional comments are received from other members of ZAC, I will forward them to you. Otherwise, any comment that is not informative will be placed in the hearing file. This petition was accepted for filing on January 15, 1993 and a hearing was scheduled accordingly.

The following comments are related only to the filing of future zoning petitions and are aimed at expediting the petition filing

1) The Director of Zoning Administration and Development Management has instituted a system whereby seasoned zoning attorneys who feel that they are capable of filing petitions that comply with all aspects of the zoning regulations and petitions filing requirements can file their petitions with this office without the necessity of a preliminary review by Zoning personnel.

RE: Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting for February 1, 1993 Item No. 244

the subject zoning item. This site is subject to Landscape Manual requirements. The site plan does not comply with the street and adjacent residential setback requirements of the Landscape Manual (page 44).

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111 West Chesapeake Avenue

DATE: 2-2-93

William J. Panoni, Jr.

Baltimore, Maryland 21222

RE: CASE NUMBER: 93-228-X (Item 244)

Legal Owner(s): Frederick Radtke

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Lessee: William J. Panoni, Jr.

N/S Dundalk Avenue, 202' SW of Liberty Parksay

HEARING: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1993 at 2:30 p.m. in Rm. 118, Old Courthouse.

credit and/or your Order, immediate attention to this matter is suggested.

Please be advised that \$ 68.75 is due for advertising and posting of the above

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ORDER SHALL NOT ISSUE. DO NOT REMOVE THE SIGN & POST SET(S) FROM THE PROPERTY UNTIL THE DAY OF THE

Please forward your check via return mail to the Zoning Office, County Office Building, 111 W.

Chesapeake Avenue, Room 109, Towson, Maryland 21204. Place the case number on the check and make

same payable to Baltimore County, Maryland. In order to avoid delay of the issuance of proper

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2065 Shore Road

Towson, MD 21204

Baltimore County Government Office of Zoning Administration and Development Management

111 West Chesapeake Avenue Towson, MD 21204

February 9, 1993

Petition for Special Exception

improvements that may have a bearing on this case.

process with this office.

93-228-X 1/15/93 PUBLIC HEARING FEES 050 -SPECIAL EXCEPTION

LAST NAME OF OWNER: RADTKE

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Zoning Administration is Development Manager and

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BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTEROFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director DATE: January 29, 1993 Zoning Administration and Development Management FROM: Robert W. Bowling, P.E.

The Developers Engineering Division has reviewed Landscape Manual. See Sec. IX.c.2.b.2. and 3. of the

Developers Engineering Division

O. James Lighthizer Hal Kassoff Administrator

1-20-93

Ms. Julie Winiarski Zoning Administration and Development Management County Office Building 111 W. Chesapeake Avenue Towson, Maryland 21204

Item No.: + 244 (JLL)

Dear Ms. Winiarski:

700 East Joppa Road Suite 901

Zoning Administration and

Baltimore County Office Building

FE: Property Owner: FREDERICK RADTKE

Development Management

Item No.:

edition prior to occupancy.

Gentlemen:

JP/KEK

Towson, MD 21286-5500

Arnold Jablon

Towson, MD 21204

This office has reviewed the referenced item and we have no objection to approval as it does not access a State roadway and is not effected by any State Highway Administration

Please contact Bob Small at 410-333-1350 if you have any questions

Thank you for the opportunity to review this item.

My telephone number is 410-333-1350

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Baltimore County Government

Fire Department

#3478 LIBERTY PARKWAY

+244 (JLL) Zoning Agenda: JANUARY 25, 1993

Pursuant to your request, the referenced property has been surveyed by

this Bureau and the comments below are applicable and required to be

corrected or incorporated into the final plans for the property.

5. The buildings and structures existing or proposed on the site

Protection Association Standard No. 101 "Life Safety Code", 1988

shall comply with all applicable requirements of the National Fire

JANUARY 25, 1993

(410) 887-4500

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO: Arnold Jablon, Director Zoning Administration & Development Management

FROM: Pat Keller, Deputy Director Office of Planning and Zoning

**DATE:** January 29, 1993

SUBJECT: 3478 Liberty Parkway

244

Petitioner: William J. Panoni, Jr. Property Size:

Zoning: B.L.-C.N.S. Requested Action: Special Exception

Hearing Date: SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

A site visit revealed that the Petitioner's request would be an appropriate use for the area. Apparently, the car detailing operation will be a relatively lowintensity use, and should not prove to be incompatible with the adjacent residential community.

Based upon the site visit and the information provided, staff recommends approval of the request subject to the following conditions:

- A landscape plan emphasizing enhanced treatment between the site and the adjacent residences at 3526-3530 Loganview Road should be submitted to the Deputy Director of the Planning Office.

- Due to the close proximity of the residential community of Watersedge, the existing sign treatments should be enhanced in order to be more compatible. Planning is willing to offer its assistance to that end.

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93-228-X

This is somewhat of an unusual case. The applicant by definition (5101) BCZR meets the definition of a car wash. Usually this office considers "auto detailing" to be ca service garage, However; detailing usually involves service garage type of work to a greater or lesser ceptent, therefore, the lessee was advised to spoply for the car wash special refrestion (though this was not done by myself I do not disagree with this interpretation)

Parking: I advised the spokhcant that the parking provisions of Eact. 419 (BCZE) seem to regume 40 spaces for this use cand I suggested La variance. The lesse and engineer did not agree somes 5. 419.2 (which requires the 40 spaces) for carnashes with labor supplied by the operator line inature: The point appears to be a valid one, lowever, I advised them that you would have to " eaccept this cargument so part of the hearing

I sufremed them of the adversarial nature of the SPX cand indicated that an attorney though not required faves in cop ainstead ) timeld not be to be tiden to love representation

CONVERSION OF COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

BUREAU OF TRAFFIC ENGINEERING

DATE: January 29, 1993

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

1. It is recommended that the eastern access to Dundalk Avenue be

2. The three parking spaces fronting Liberty Parkway should be realigned.

Mr. Arnold Jablon, Director

and Development Management

Rahee J. Famili

Z.A.C. MEETING DATE: January 25, 1993

SUBJECT: Z.A.C. Comments

ITEM NUMBER: 244

eliminated.

RJF/WKL/lvd

Office of Zoning Administration

Conversions of existing buildings which require only interior modification and/or includes no addition, enclosure, or physical expansion of the building or parking area, are not included within the definition of "development" as per Sec. 22-39 of the Baltimore County Development Regulations. These conversions. involving only interior work. are exempt from Division 2 as per Sec. 22-42, and therefore the CRG process or waiver is not required. These projects may be processed through the building permit process.

Conversion of existing buildings that involve a change in. or addition to the original building such as an enclosure or similar appendage and/or creation or expansion of parking area constitutes "development" under Section 22-39 of the Baltimore County Development Regulations. These projects are subject to the requirements of Division 2 of the Development Regulation including the CRG process or waiver.

This policy is based on the opinion from the Office of Law dated September 1, 1988 (attached).

BALT ORE COUNTY, MARY AND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Arnold Jablon, Director Zoning Administration and Development Management

DATE: February 2, 1993

FROM: J. Lawrence Pilson Development Coordinator, DEPRM

> Zoning Item #244 Radtke, 3478 Liberty Parkway

the following comments on the above referenced zoning item.

the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area, must comply with Critical Area regulations applicable to this land use classification.

whether the proposed development is in compliance with the Chesapeake Bay may contact the Environmental Impact Review Division of the Department at 887-2904 for details.

Waste Water from the Car Washing facility must be directed to the Sanitary Sewer system in accordance with the provisions of the Baltimore County Plumbing Code.

A Waste Water Discharge Permit Application must be completed with the Division of Engineering and Regulation of the Bureau of Utilities. Contact 668-7530 for information about this application.

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INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

TO \_\_Amold Jables Councy Accounty Date <u>August 11, 1998</u> through Frank C. Robev Jr., Administrative Officer

FROM \_ 2. David Fields Director of Planning and Zoning

PLANNING & ZONIN

The purpose of this memo is to request the Office of Law to render an Opinion on the interpretation of "development" as found in Section 22-39 of the Development Regulations. Our specific interest relates to the definition of development as it pertains to conversions of commercial property.

> of abandoned service stations to convenience stores or small office buildings. In most cases, the conversions involve only facade treatment, striping of paved areas for parking, and interior alteration or modification to the building. The High's store on York Road at Stevenson Lane is a recent example. Other projects, however, have included additional square footage by modifying the roof (change in angle or dormers), or constructing minor additions that change the footprint of the building. The Royal Farm Store at Joppa Road and Thornton Road is an example of this type of conversion. Although all work was performed under an "interior alteration" permit, the roof was raised to add square footage on a second floor (approximately 700 square feet) and a small concrete block addition was constructed to enclose a rear stairwell.

footprint and/or square footage) to constitute development as defined in the Development Regulations. A project that falls into the development category footprint could be processed through the building permit process: a CRG or waiver would not be required.

We are requesting the Office of Law to advise this office of guidelines that should be used to determine if a project constitutes "development" as defined in Section 22-39. This imput will assist us in revising or modifying our existing policy on commercial conversions.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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APPROVED: Frank C. Rober, Jr. Administrative Officer

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Zoning Advisory Committee Meeting of January 25, 1993

The Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management offers

Development of this property, which occurs in an Intensely Developed Area of

The Department of Environmental Protection and Resource Management requests an extension for the review of the above referenced zoning item to determine Critical Area Regulations. The applicant must submit a Critical Area Findings Plan for review and approval by this Department prior to preparation of a Critical Area Findings for the development. The applicant

LP:sp

BALTIMORE COUNTY, MARYLAND

SUBJECT \_\_\_\_\_\_ Property CFFICE OF

In recent months, this office has received several requests for conversions

The current policy of this office is to consider expansion or exterior modification of an existing commercial building (i.e., change in building would require a CRG meeting or waiver of CRG meeting/process. A conversion that does not involve additional square footage or change in building

